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GENERAL NEWS

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN.

The Telegraph War.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Notwithstanding the injunction granted by the courts at Kansas City and Denver to restrain the American Union Telegraph Company from interfering with the wires of the Western Union Telegraph Company on the Kansas Pacific, the latter company did cut the wires this morning, and took possession of the same under a writ of replevin issued by the Circuit Court, known as the Atlantic & Pacific Company. The wires were also cut out this morning, and are in possession of the American Union Company. As injunc on s would have been served yesterday, as to the Union Pacific and Central Pacific wires from the latter side of the river, it would be no interference. Such action is being taken by the Western Union Company to fully protect their rights.

The Misfortunes of a Foot-hardy Venture.

NEW YORK, Feb 27.—Herbert Burrell and Miss E. B. Coombs, who left Boston on the 22d inst. in a sand decked boat for Maine, have proceeded no further on their voyage than Salem Village, twenty miles north of Boston, where they were compelled to go, and in which city they reached here to-day in the steamer City of Para.

Illness of the Wife of Judge Prince.

SALEM, Feb. 27.—News has been received here of the death yesterday in Santa Fe of the wife of Chief Justice Prince of New Mexico. The lady was married but three months. Illness, pneumonia.

Suit for Damages.

St. Louis County Clerk Gumbleton has begun a suit for damages of $50,000 against Ex-Gov. Fletcher, alleging illegal removal from office. The suit is based upon a decision in the case of Police Commissioner Nichols.

A Minister Churched.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—The ecclesiastical trial of the Rev. Charles E. Walker, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, charged with intemperance and improper conduct and neglect to support her, has results, in his retirement from the ministry and from church privileges until the meeting of the annual conference.

Damages Refused, President.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Valparaiso dates to the 15th of January, state that when the revolution broke out against Daza, he sought refuge on board the steamer *Alaska*, which was seized by the insurgents. It is believed that he is hiding at Arica.

Execution.

LITTLE ROCK, Feb. 27.—Gov. Miller late last night refused the sentence of death of Thos. Hunt, and will not take any further action. Hunt was hung at Ozark, Franklin county, to-day.

Meeting at New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—During the present week a number of representative railroad men have been in the city, and the fact has given rise to various rumors and many conjectures as to the object of their visit. To-day A. A. Loveland, of the Colorado Central; Mr. Gallup, of the Boston and Albany; Judge T. Sears, of the Kansas Pacific, and Gen. Howard, of the Boston and Albany railroads, arrived here late in the day. It was reported that a meeting of railroad men had taken place at the Windsor Hotel last night, at which Jay Gould, Russell Sage, Sidney Dillon, Russell Sage, Sidney Dillon Otis, Gen. Scott, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who was called upon in relation to the matter this evening, said it was true that a meeting at Windsor Hotel had taken place, but its object was to harmonize certain differences all the conflicting interests of the roads. Messrs. Garrett, Jewett, Ramsey, Roberts and himself were present, and that there was a meeting of representatives of western lines in Chicago, and that the meeting here as evening was to determine upon the best advice to give Mr. Garrett on the subject of east bound rates. He decided, said Mr. Scott, to call a meeting of the board to-day, to consider the subject of east bound rates. Messrs. Garrett, Jewett, Ramsey, Roberts and himself were present. The object of

The Daily Oregonian.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB 28, 1880

COMMON SENSE ON THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

Some one accused Moliere the great French dramatist of plagiarism. He was, in truth, accustomed to "convey" whole scenes from other writers, when the matter fitted his purpose, and incorporate them into his plays. To the charge of plagiarism he only responded, "I have a right to recover my property wherever I find it." And Shakespeare, denounced by Robert Greene, a fellow playwright, for similar acts, vouchsafed no answer at all. Thus, though THE OREGONIAN could present most illustrious literary precedents for "lifting" what follows and claiming it as its own, since it accords with the views it has often expressed and fits at this time its purpose so exactly, nevertheless it will credit the matter to Dr. Holland and cite the reader to the essay on "American Public Education" in Holland's *Lessons in Life*. In this place we can give only part of the essay, but the whole of it ought to be read by every person in this community. And thus it begins, and thus it runs:

A venerable gentleman who once occupied a prominent position in a leading New England college, was remarking recently upon the difficulty which he experienced in obtaining servants who would attend to their duties. He had just dismissed a girl of six teen, who was as much "above her business" as to be intolerable. The girl's father, who was an Englishman, called upon him for an explanation. The employer told his story, every word of which the latter received without question, and then remarked with considerable vehemence: "It is all owing to those cursed public schools!" The father retired, and the old professor sat down and thought about it; and the result of his thinking did not differ materially from that of the father. It was not, of course, that there was anything in the studies which had tended to unfit the girl for her duties. It was very possible indeed for the girl to have been a better servant in consequence of her intelligence. There was nothing in the English grammar or the multiplication table to produce insubordination or discontent. There was nothing in the whole case that tended to condemn the public schools as such; but it was the spirit inculcated by the teachers of the public schools, which had spoiled this girl for her place, and which has spoiled and is still spoiling, thousands of others.

Let us look for a moment into the influence of such a motto as the following—written over a school house door—always before the eyes of the pupils and always alluded to by school committees and visitors, who are invited to "make a few remarks":

MORNING IS IMPOSSIBLE TO HIM WHO WAITS.

This abominable lie is placed before a room full of children and youth, of widely varying capacity and great diversity of circumstances. They are called upon to look at it and believe in it. Suppose a girl of humble mental abilities and humble circumstances looks at this motto and says: "I will" be a lady. "I will" be subject to no man's or woman's bidding. Under these circumstances the girl's father, who is poor, removes her from school and tells her she must earn her own living. Now I ask, what kind of spirit can she carry into her service, except that of surly and impudent discontent? She has been reminding, in school, perhaps, with girls whom she is to serve in the family she enters. Has she not been made unfit for her place by the influence of the public school? Have not her comfort and happiness been spoiled by those influences? Is her reluctant service of any value to those who pay her the wages of her labor?

It is safe, at least, to make the proposition that public schools are a curse to all the youth whom they unfit for their proper places in the world. It is the favorite theory of teachers that every man can make himself anything that he really chooses to make. I have known entire schools instructed to aim at the highest places in society and the most exalted offices of life. I have known enthusiastic men to go from school to school, and talk such stuff to pupils as would tend to unfit every one of humble circumstances and slender possibilities for the life that lay before him. The fact is persistently ignored, in many of these schools, established emphatically for the education of the people, that the majority of places in this world are subordinate and low places. Every boy and girl is taught to "be something" in the world, which would be very well if being "something" were being what God intended they should be; but when being "something" involves the transformation of what God intended should be a respectable shoemaker into a very indifferent and very slow minister of the gospel, the harmful and even ridiculous character of the instruction becomes apparent. There are two classes of evils attending the inculcation of these favorite doctrines of the school teachers—first, the unfitting of men and women for humble places, and, second, the impulsion of men of feeble power into high places, for the duties of which they have neither natural nor acquired fitness. The idea of being educated to fill a humble office in life is hardly thought of, and every bumpkin who has a memory sufficient for the words repeats—"Lives of great men all remind us," etc., a familiar quatrain of Mr. Longfellow's;—but it is nothing more than a musical cheat. It sounds like the truth, but it is silly. The lives of great men all remind us that they have made their own memory sublime; but they do not assure us at all that we can leave footprints like theirs behind us. If you do not believe it, go to the cemetery yonder. Why is it that no more have left a name behind them? Simply because they were not endowed by their Maker with the power to do it, and because the offices of life are mainly humble, requiring only humble powers for their fulfillment. The cemeteries of one hundred years hence will be like those of to-day. Of all those now in the schools of this country, dreaming of fame, not one in twenty thousand will be heard of then—not one in twenty thousand will have left a footprint behind them.

Now, I believe that a school, in order to be a good one, should be the one that will fit men and women in the best way for the humble positions that the great mass of them must necessarily occupy in life. It is not necessary that boys and girls should be taught any less than they are taught now. They should receive more practical knowledge than they do now, without a doubt, and less of that which is simply ornamental, but they cannot know too much. An intelligent gardener is better than a clod hopper, and an educated nurse is better than an ignorant one; but if the gardener and the nurse have been spoiled for their business and their condition by the sentiments they have imbibed with their knowledge, they are made uncomfortable to themselves and to those whom they serve. I do not care how much knowledge a man may have acquired in school, that school has been a curse to him if its influence has been to make him unhappy in his place, and to fill him with futile ambitions.

The country has great reason to lament the effect of the kind of instruction upon which I have remarked. The universal greed for office is nothing but an indication of the specific for constitutional which has been dropped from childhood. The consequence is that persons have become the pursuit of small men, and we no longer have opportunity to put the best men into office. Somehow all the students in all our schools get the idea that a man to be "somebody" must be in public life. Now think of the fact that all the millions attending school in this country have in some way acquired this idea, and that only one in every thousand of these is either needed in public life or can win success there. Let this fact be realized, and it is easy to see that nine hundred and ninety nine will feel that somehow they are cheated out of their birthright. [The essayist might have added here that to this circumstance we owe the whole crop of blatant "agitators" of the time.—ED. OREGONIAN.] Thousands seek to become "somebodies" through avenues of professional life; and so professional life is full of nobodies. The pulpit is crowded with globule nobodies—men who have no power, no unction, no manner. They strain their brains to write common-places and wear themselves out repeating the tact of their sect and the cant of their schools. The bar is crowded with "nobodies" as much as the pulpit. Thousands go into the study of the law, not so much for the sake of the profession, as for the sake of the advantages it is supposed to give them for political preferment. As for the medical profession, I tremble to think how many enter it because they have neither piety enough for preachers, nor brains enough to practice law. When I think of the great army of little men yearly commissioned to go forth into the world with a case of sharp knives in one hand and a magazine of drugs in the other, I sigh for the human race. Especially is all this lamentable, when we remember that it involves the spoiling of thousands of good farmers and mechanics to make poor professional men.

There must be something radically wrong in our system of education, when youth are generally unfitted for the station they are to occupy, or are forced into professions for which they have no natural fitness. Our children all go to the public schools. They all go out into the world with high notions, and find it impossible to content themselves with their lot. Boys and girls are bred to discontent. Everybody is after a high place, and nearly everybody fails to get one; and, failing, loses heart, temper and content. Humble employments are held in contempt, and humble powers are everywhere making high employments contemptible. Our schools fail to inculcate the idea that the majority of the offices of life are humble, that the powers of the majority of youth which they contain have relation to those offices, that no man is respectable when he is out of his place, and that half the unhappiness of the world grows out of the fact that from distorted views of life, men are in places where they do not belong. Let us have the thing altogether reformed.

SLATER'S RESERVATION BILL.

Our Washington correspondent a few days since gave an outline of the bill introduced on the 4th February by Senator Slater, "directing and authorizing the secretary of the interior to negotiate with the Indians at Umatilla, Warm Springs, Klamath and Siletz reservations in the state of Oregon for extinguishment of their title to the lands now occupied by them, and for their removal to other lands or reservations without the state." The bill has a taking title; and yet it is not easy to see what could be done under it, even if it should pass, which is not at all likely. Congress will pretty certainly ask where the place is to which these Indians can go if they can't stay with us; and much as we would like to have them go, we should be obliged to confess that the question was a difficult one to answer. It is not probable that many of the Indians would consent to go, and to all such the bill provides that allotments of land shall be made, the same to be selected by the Indians themselves. As the quantity to be allowed to each is limited, there would be a surplus to be sold to white settlers. The bill is not well guarded against jobs, as the lands are to be surveyed and appraised, and the appraisers would have opportunity to select the best of the lands for their friends and appraise them low, after which the lands would be offered for entry in the land-office of the district where the lands are situated. The measure cannot be regarded as a very practicable one, mainly for the reason that it is unlikely to pass, and for the additional reason that if it should pass it would require military force to carry it into operation.

Indications are that the eastern parts of Willamette valley are to have railroad facilities enough. To-day it is announced that the Oregon & California Railroad Company will at once build branches from their main line to Silverton and Lebanon; and the Oregon Railway Company, of which Wm. Reid is president, advertises for ties for the road they propose to build in that direction on the plan outlined in announcement heretofore made. By the competition the people up that way will be in luck. Probably they will get a railroad now without being required to pay anything towards its construction. It will hardly be necessary now for either of the parties to solicit subscriptions. We should have no objections to undertaking the job ourselves if the people would pay for it.

It is probable that many persons who have sent communications to THE OREGONIAN on one side or another of the school question have wondered why the same have not appeared. As is usual with this journal when it discusses subjects of wide public interest, it has on this occasion received a vast number of contributions from writers in every direction; and so great is the number that we are obliged to make a selection, as one half of them cannot possibly appear. Some we have on hand which will be printed as soon as possible. But correspondents will please remember that the primary function of THE OREGONIAN is that of a newspaper. The news first, and other matter afterwards.

The new governor of Maine says that the system of high schools in that state has been a practical failure, and he believes in extending the primary and retrenching the high schools. So said his predecessor. And so said the recent governor of New York in a communication to the legislature of that state. Everywhere the discussion takes the form of a demand for limitation of the high schools and for making the primary schools more simple, thorough and efficient.

The production of beet root sugar in Europe, according to the statistics furnished by Herr Licht, of Magdeberg, was 1,380,000 tons for 1879, against 1,574,154 tons for 1870. This amount is divided as follows among the various states of Europe: Germany, 410,000 tons; France, 300,000; Austro-Hungary, 365,000; Russia, 225,000; Belgium, Holland, Italy, etc., 80,000. In France, the diminution in the production of this article was 132,000 tons.

If the leading republican journals of the country could nominate Mr. Tilden for the presidency, and the leading democratic journals could nominate Gen. Grant, both classes would be immensely pleased. But which would be mistaken? One side certainly, as each of these candidates would hardly be so weak as to assure the election of the other.

BORN.

To the wife of Albert Brown in Gervais, a son weighing 8 pounds.

MARRIED!

By the Rev. A. W. Beaver, on the 22d inst. at the residence of P. H. Ellsworth, Esq., one mile below Oregon City, Mr. Geo. R. Cahill and Miss Clara L. Groveger, both of Clackamas county.

At the residence of Mr. Jesse Cox, near Gresham, Feb. 5th by J. Hardtanker, Mr. J. W. Allen and Miss M. J. Allen, all of Lane county.

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At the residence of the bride's father, near Silverton, W. T., Feb. 15, by Rev. D. Thomas, Mr. G. W. Willoughby to Elizabeth Paddock, all of Salem, Oregon.

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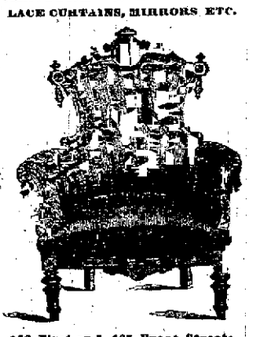

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Reserve for Re-Insurance	1 841,438 00	
Reserve for Unpaid Losses	248 764 81	
Net Surplus	1,320 785 30	
CASH ASSETS		$6,410 988 11

SUMMARY OF ASSETS

Held in the United States, available for the Payment of LOSSES BY FIRE and for the Protection of Policy Holders of FIRE INSURANCE:

Cash in Banks	$ 283,229 23
Bonds and Mortgages, being first lien on Real Estate (worth $4,171,400)	2,866,558 00
United States Stocks (market value)	3 184,125 00
Bank Stocks (market value)	200,762 50
State and Municipal Bonds (market value)	257,529 67
Loans on Stocks payable on demand (market value of securities $613,912)	418,570 00
Interest due on 1st January, 1880	54,570 66
Balances in hands of Agents	154,114 87
Real Estate	54 159 91
Premiums due and collected on Policies issued at the New York office	6 507 38
Total	$6,410 988 11

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COMMON SENSE VS THE SCHOOL QUESTION

Some one accused Moliere the great French dramatist, of plagiarism He was in the habit accustomed to convey whole scenes from other writers, when the matter fitted his purpose, and incorporate them into his plays To the charge of plagiarism he only responded I have a right to recover my property wherever I find it And Shakespeare denounced by Robert Greene a fellow playwright, for a similar acts vouchsafed no answer at all Thus though THE OREGONIAN could present most illustrious literary precedents for "lifting what follows and claiming it as its own once it accords with the views it has often expressed and fits at this time its purpose so exactly nevertheless it will credit the matter to Dr Holland and cite the reader to the essay on 'American Public Education' in Holland's *Lessons in Life* In this place we can give only part of the essay but the whole of it ought to be read by every person in this community And thus it begins and thus it runs

A venerable gentleman who once occupied a prominent position in a leading New England college was remarking recently upon the difficulty which he experienced in obtaining servants who would attend to their duties. He had just dismissed a girl of sixteen, who was so much above her business as to be intolerable The girl's father who was an Englishman called upon him for an explanation. The employer told his story every word of which the latter received without question and then remarked with considerable vehemence I am all owing to those cursed public schools The father retired, and the old professor sat down and thought about it and the result of his thinking did not differ materially from that of the father It was not, of course that there was anything in the studies which had tended to unfit the girl for her duties It was very possible indeed for the girl to have been a better servant in consequence of her intelligence There was nothing in the English grammar or the multiplication table to produce insubordination or discontent There was nothing in the whole case that tended to condemn the public schools as such but it was the spirit inculcated by the teachers of the public schools, which had spoiled this girl for her place, and which has spoiled and is still spoiling, thousands of others

Let us look for a moment into the inducement of such a motto as the following—written over a school house door—always before the eyes of the pupils and always alluded to by school committees and visitors, who are invited to "make a few remarks" —

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE TO HIM WHO WILLS

This abominable lie is placed before a room full of children and youth, of widely varying capacity and great diversity of circumstances They are called called upon to look at it and believe in it. Suppose a girl of humble mental abilities and humble circumstances looks at this motto and says; "I 'will' be a lady I 'will' be subject to no man's or woman's bidding." Under these circumstances the girl's father who is poor, removes her from school, and tells her she must earn her own living. Now I ask what kind of spirit can she carry into her service, except that of surly and impudent discontent? She has been educating in school, perhaps, with girls whom she is to serve in the family she enters. Has she not been made unfit for her place by the influences of the public school? Have not her comfort and happiness been spoiled by those influences? Is her reluctant service of any value to those who pay her the wages of her labor?

It is safe, at least, to make the proposition that public schools are a curse to all the youth whom they unfit for their proper places in the world. It is the favorite theory of teachers that every man can make himself anything that he really chooses to make I have known entire schools instructed to aim at the highest places in society and the most exalted offices of life I have known enthusiastic old fools who made it their principal business to go from school to school, and talk such stuff to pupils as would tend to unfit every one of humble circumstances and slender possibilities for the life that lay before him. The fact is persistently ignored, in many of these schools, established emphatically for the education of the people, that the majority of places in this world are subordinate and low places. Every boy and girl is taught to "be something" in the world which would be very well if being "something" were being what God intended they should be, but when being "something" involves the transformation of what God intended should be a respectable shoemaker into a very indifferent and very slow minister of the gospel, the harmful and even ridiculous character of the instruction becomes apparent There are two classes of evils attending the inculcation of these favorite doctrines of the school, teachers—first, the unfitting of men and women for humble places, and second the impulsion of men of feeble power into high places, for the duties of which they have neither natural nor acquired fitness The idea of being educated to fill a humble office in life is hardly thought of, and every humblest who has a memory sufficient for the words repeats,—"Lives of great men all remind us" etc, a familiar quatrain of Mr. Longfellow's,—but it is nothing more than a musical cheat. It sounds like the truth; but it is a lie. The lives of great men all remind us that they have made their own memory sublime; but they do not assure us at all that we can leave footprints like theirs behind us. If you do not believe it, go to the cemetery yonder Why is it that no more have left a name behind them? Simply because they were not endowed by their Maker with the power to do it, and because the office of life are mainly humble, requiring only humble powers for their fulfillment The cemeteries of one hundred years hence will be like those of to-day Of all those now in the schools of this country dreaming of fame, not one in twenty thousand will be heard of then—not one in twenty thousand will have left a footprint behind them

Now, I believe that a school, in order to be a good one, should be the one that will fit man and women in the best way for the humble positions that the great mass of them must necessarily occupy in life It is not necessary that boys and girls should be taught any less than they are taught now They should receive more practical knowledge than they do now without a doubt and less of that which is simply ornamental but they cannot know too much An intelligent gardener is better than a clod hopper and an educated nurse is better than an ignorant one but if the gardener and the nurse have been spoiled for their business and their condition by the sentiments they have imbibed with their knowledge they are made unconsolable to themselves and to those whom they serve. I do not care how much knowledge a man may have acquired in school that school has been a curse to him if its influence has been to make him unhappy in his place and to fill him with futile ambitions

The country has great reason to lament the effect of the kind of instruction upon which I have remarked The universal greed for office is nothing but an outcropping of the

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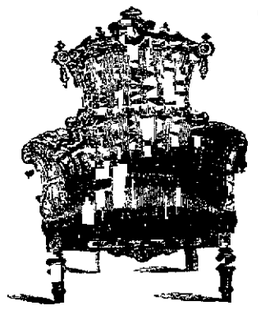

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CASH CAPITAL	$1 000 000 00
Reserve for Re-Insurance	1 811,148 00
Reserve for Unpaid Losses	348 701 81
Net Surplus	1,320 785 30
	$5 110 988 11

CASH ASSETS

SUMMARY OF ASSETS

Held in the United States available for the payment of LOSSES BY FIRE and for the Protection of Policy Holders of FIRE INSURANCE

Cash in Banks	$ 268 229 29
Bonds and Mortgages (first liens)	1 868 650 00
United States etc stocks (value)	1 194 155 00
Bank Stocks (market value)	241 850 00
State and Municipal Bonds (market value)	418 600 00
Loans on Stocks payable on demand (market value of security $ 1 [illegible])	54 870 68
Interest due on 1st January 1880	1 [illegible] 87
Balance in hands of Agents	84 120 91
Real Estate	6 507 38
Premiums due and collected on Policies issued at the New York office	
Total	$6 410 988 11

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CITY.

PROPOSED CITY HALL —Mayor Tay[illegible] in his annual message to the common council, recommended the erection at an early day of a substantial building on some of the ground occupied by the city which should be used as a city hall The question has been discussed considerably of late by members of the council, and it is not improbable that some decided steps will be taken soon At present the public offices seem to be very generally distributed about the city the police building is located in one part of the city, the auditor and clerk, surveyor superintendent of streets and assessor in another building, and the city attorney in yet another and the mayor have no offices whatever provided for them in which to transact their business It is a necessity that the city officers should have their offices in the same building more especially, however, that the auditor and clerk, city attorney superintendent of streets city surveyor, assessor and mayor should have their offices in the same building Should the city fathers conclude to erect such a building as is contemplated it is quite probable that the west half of the block fronting on Fourth street between Main and Madison will be selected. The city owns that portion, and it will be selected on account of its central location. Mayor Thompson is strongly in favor of building a hall for the use of the city, and, we understand, that all the members of the council are favorably disposed toward the project Should such a course be determined upon it is proposed to erect a building costing about $25,000 The present city jail will be sold and the basement of the new building used as a place to confine city prisoners. The matter will probably come up for consideration at the next meeting of the common council

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FOUR FAIR GROUNDS.—For several years the question of having a fair ground in the vicinity of Portland has been agitated, by a number of the wealthy citizens of this city. It is thought that the prospects are bright and beginning to assume a tangible shape are being made to purchase a Portland trotting park, containing [illegible] acres, but the price demanded—$180 per acre—Mr. Mayer, Mr. Mayerson, a committee appointed for [illegible] Mr. Mayerson, a committee appointed for [illegible] willingness to purchase at $150 per acre, but this offer was refused, as they were unwillingly compelled to look elsewhere. Mr. McQuinn's place is the next most desirable, and the prospects for its purchase are good, provided a handsome and liberal offer is made. Lents' tract of land is about seven from the city does not offer superior advantages. For this farm one of the committee offered $11,000 cash down, and there are indications that the sum will be [illegible]

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The Ætna has just closed its thirtieth year's business with assets of $25,636,000, and a surplus of over $5,000,000 under the New York legal standard Since its organization it has paid to policy holders $15,282,000 for death claims endowments dividends, etc, and is now carrying 56,222 policies in force covering nearly $78,000,000 insurance The very remarkable incidents in its 1879 history are its realization of over seven per cent interest on the total assets held at the beginning of the year and the still more important one that its interest receipts paid all its death losses, and managerial expenses, besides The character of its investments may be inferred from the fact that only $614,000 is reported as interest due and accrued—less than five months interest on its present assets —*Hartford Courant.*

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POPULAR MEETINGS in the interests of the American Bible Society will be held at the Presbyterian Methodist and Unitarian churches in this city Sabbath evening February 29th at 7 30 Addresses will be delivered at the Presbyterian church by Prof R K Warren and Rev A L Lindsley D D at the Methodist church by Rev J H Acton and P C Kerner district superintendent for A B S and at the Unitarian church by Rev T J Eliot and Hon J F Caples

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETING —The annual meeting of the Oregon Bible Society for the purpose of hearing the annual address by Hon J N Dolph will be held at the Baptist church in Portland Tuesday evening March 2d at 7 30 Excellent music will be provided for the occasion and no efforts will be spared to make the meeting one of interest to all who may attend

LECTURE —A free lecture will be delivered at Masonic hall this Saturday evening by Rev M May, The lecturer will take into consideration the school question, which is at present attracting such a large share of public attention Dr May's subject will be Who shall Support Higher Education? There will be no charge for admission Public cordially invited to attend

SEARCHING FOR HER SON —THE OREGONIAN is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Elizabeth Lee, of Coloma, Berrien county, Michigan, asking for information concerning her son, David Leroy Lee, who, she has heard, is in or about Portland Any news relative to the whereabouts of the young man will be thankfully received by Mrs Lee at the above address

CONTRACT AWARDED — The committee on streets and public property awarded the contract for the improvement of Firs street, from Salmon to Madison streets, to John B O'Neil. The improvement will require 27 cubic yards of excavation, 168 of macadam, 76 of sand and 32 lineal feet of crosswalking The work will cost $420 35

ASSESSMENT ROLL —Mr George C Sears, county assessor, will commence the work of assessment about the first of March He will begin the assessment of the country first-passing through the rural districts on horseback, After having made an assessment of the country, Mr Sears will commence the work of canvassing this city.

SCRAPING THE BAR.—The government scraper has been at work at the sand bar across the north channel at the mouth of the Columbia, just above Sand Island, and through its efforts the channel has been deepened one foot This gives eighteen feet clear at low water.

CLEARED —The ship *Aberystwith Castle* has cleared for Liverpool with the following cargo

From Portland	2566 bbls flour	$12,550
"	5861 ctls wheat	7,315
" Astoria	118 bbls flour	544
Total		$20,409

NEW BUSINESS BLOCK —Hon. H W Corbett will begin in a few days the erection of a three story frame business block, on the southeast corner of Fifth and Morrison streets. The building will have a frontage of 100 feet on Fifth and about 80 feet on Morrison street.

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MUSICAL AND LITERARY —The ladies connected with the Taylor street M. E church will give a musical and literary social in the vestry of the church building on next Tuesday evening, at which they will be glad to welcome their friends.

CONTRACT LET —Capt Wm J. Buchanan let the contract yesterday, for a two story frame business house on First street, between E and F, to Higgins. Sept & Tate The building will be 50x70 feet, and will cost about $3500

LETTER LIST.—Letters for the following persons are at Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Charles D. Kuhn, Gus Kutnow, Miss Cath A Aubert, L C Blum, Sarah C Brimhall, J G Meegher, S A Nahon, Paul Rehfisch, Jas. G Walker

GOVERNMENT SNAG BOAT —The government snag-boat is being overhauled and prepared for spring work at the boneyard, under the direction of the engineers' department, and will be ready for service in about thirty days.

G. A. R. BALL —George Wright Post, G. A. R., will give a ball at Turn Halle on next Thursday evening. Efficient committees have charge of the affair, and will spare no effort to make it thoroughly enjoyable

U S. DISTRICT COURT.—Judge Deady will announce a decision this morning in the case of Holmes vs. the Oregon and California railroad company on exceptions to the libel.

DEPARTURE POSTPONED —For the accommodation of several shippers the departure of the *Alex Duncan* has been postponed until to-morrow morning at 3 o'clock.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Salinger's cash auction house, No 210 First street, offer for the next thirty days their entire stock of dry goods, boots, shoes, etc. See partial list of prices in another column.

S Lipman & Co successor to M W Henderson & Co. corner First and Washington will have their opening day next Wednesday, instead of Monday, as announced heretofore

T J O Connor a former resident of this city and lately in the auction business at Albany has leased the store 64 First street and has hitted it up for an auction and commission store Mr O'Connor will make a specialty of household sales See ad to-day

THE ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Ætna has just closed its thirtieth year's business with assets of $25,636,000, and a surplus of over $5,000,000 under the New York legal standard Since its organization it has paid to policy holders $15,282,000 for death claims endowments dividends, etc, and is now carrying 56,222 policies in force covering nearly $78,000,000 insurance The very remarkable incidents in its 1879 history are its realization of over seven per cent interest on the total assets held at the beginning of the year and the still more important one that its interest receipts paid all its death losses, and managerial expenses, besides The character of its investments may be inferred from the fact that only $614,000 is reported as interest due and accrued—less than five months interest on its present assets —*Hartford Courant.*

At her Wilson opposite Ladd & Tilton's is a general assortment for the [illegible]

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE CITY PROPERTY —On Monday, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon Mr J P O Lownsdale assignee in bankruptcy of the estate of Estes & Carter, sells by auction at the door of the county court house, some very valuable business property lots 4 5 on the corner of Front and Washington streets in this city He also sells at the same time and place all the right of said estate in the Blackistone donation claim which adjoins the city

It is a fact that Steinway Pianos are in every respect superior to all others every person of developed taste for good music will select them as proof of the above Albert Harris general agent for the Pacific Coast is at present in Portland

For the very best photographs go to Frank G Abell 167 and 169 First street Portland

Fancy mixed 40 cents mixed candy 40 cents per pound at the Postoffice Store

Happy woman is she who has taken her sewing machine to Barbey for repairs

Mrs Ach has removed to 251 First st bet Salmon and Main

C H Dupee Hamm are the finest

AMUSEMENTS

ST CHARLES —The cast of the Two Orphans given last night at the theater was good as far as the principal characters are concerned the strongest ever given in this city Mr Barton Hill as the chevalier Mr Geo D Browning as Jacques Mr Finlayson as Pierre the cripple Mr Simpson as Picard Mr Allen the Doctor of the Salpetriere Misses Adams and Wade as The Orphans Louise and Henriette Mrs Belle Douglas as Frochard Mrs McLennan as Sister Genevieve the cast of this great play could not be well improved on As the Chevalier Mr Hill was the embodiment of knightly honor and at the end of the second act was vociferously applauded Mr Chaplin's Jacques was splendidly sustained and the Pierre of Mr Lindsay's excellent Mrs Belle Douglas as the Frochard of the author The character in her hands is a well drawn picture of the repulsive haggish old woman she was the first that played the part in this city and so far has not since been equaled The Louise of Miss Adams was charmingly given and the sweetness and resignation—carrying the audience in full sympathy Mrs Wades Henriette is well known and the addition of this thoroughly reliable actress to the already strong company is a decided acquisition

The other parts were well filled and on the whole a very fine performance The scenery was very good throughout, except the falling snow, which was badly done The play will be reproduced for the matinee today and will no doubt draw a very large audience this evening

Mr Barton Hill closes his engagement with this person as one of Badger, in the Streets of New York

THAT LESS O LOWRIE'S —This beautiful drama will by a general consent of theatergoers be reproduced on Monday evening at the New Market Theater, and from the great satisfaction given by the first performance ought to draw a large audience On Tuesday evening the very popular lady and child starring child actress, Little Maude will be the recipients of a complimentary benefit, when a most attractive programme will be offered for this occasion, and a large house may be expected

THE MATINEE TO DAY —A crammed house is expected at the theater to-day to witness the the last performance of the Two Orphans A number of seats are already reserved at Blumauer's drug store

SPECIAL CHURCH NOTICES.

Rev L A Banks will preach at North Portland mission chapel Sabbath afternoon at 3 o clock

Congregational church J A Cruzan pastor, will preach Sunday morning No evening service

Plymouth Church, North Portland, corner E and 14th streets, Edward P Baker, minister in charge Sunday school at 2 P M. Preaching at 7 30 P M

East Portland Church Hoffaday's addition Edward P Baker, minister in charge Preaching at 11 A M Sunday school immediately after the morning service

Christian Church Regular services at Nonpareil Hall, corner First and Madison streets sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 12 30 A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Evangelical Church corner Eighth and Clay streets, E W. Axtheim, pastor, will preach in German to morrow morning at 10 30 A M and 7 30 P M. Sunday school 9 30 A M A cordial invitation to all.

Presbyterian Church Services to morrow morning by the pastor. In the evening one of the annual meetings of the Oregon Bible Society Address by Prof R K Warren The public cordially invited

Unitarian Church. Services at 11 and 7 30 In the evening, in connection with the vesper service the cause of the American Bible Society will be presented by Hon J F. Caples. The public cordially invited.

Hall street M E church Rev P C Hetzler agent of the American Bible Society, will preach in the morning There will be no service in this church on Sabbath evening, because of union Bible services.

Taylor Street M E Church Preaching in the morning by the pastor, sabbath school at 12 30 praise service. 6 30; anniversary services of the Bible Society in the evening, addressed by Rev A A Cruzan, prayer meeting on Thursday evening.

In the Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran church of Portland there will be religious services to morrow evening in the Norwegian language Service will be held over Reed's saving bank near the corner of First and Pine streets commencing at 7 30 There will be no service at the church in East Portland until repairs are completed. A. E. Fridrichsen, pastor

BRIEF NOTES.

Steamer *Elder* due here to night

"Matinee—" The Two Orphans"

"Streets of New York" to night

School meeting next Monday evening

Steamer *State of California* off this morning.

Lecture by Dr M May, at Masonic hall to night

Another wife beater got the full penalty of the law.

The gentle spring has come again—for a very short time

Our Hebrew citizens celebrated the feast of "Purim" yesterday

Yesterday the sky reminded one of June and the air of January.

The next social event—the inauguration ball by the G. A. R., March 4th.

Last day of the winter months to-morrow. That is not saying that spring is here.

Call at the office and purchase a copy of THE WEEKLY OREGONIAN Only ten cents a copy.

PERSONAL.

Mr J O. Heath son, of Hawthorn cannery, is in the city for a few days.

Mr C H Meusdorffer goes below on the *State of California*, on a business trip

Mr Geo. Woodward will leave for Boston and eastern cities this morning, to be absent seven weeks.

Messrs E O Sailor, of Gervais and Whipple, of Cottage Grove, have been doing Portland and return to day.

Mrs D. F. Smith, who will be remembered with pleasure as an elocutionist and charming reader, is visiting Portland after an absence of nearly two years She now lives in Oakland and is successfully engaged in teaching elocution in that city and San Francisco It is to be hoped that she will favor her old friends and admirers and others with a public recitation before her return

OREGON BIBLE SOCIETY.

The annual business meeting of the Oregon Bible Society was held last evening at the Baptist church

Rev A L Lindsley D D president of the society in the chair

Dr Lindsley read a selection from the Scriptures

Rev A S Coe's made the opening prayer

The reports of the treasurer depositary and secretary were read and referred to the auditing committee

The reports indicate an encouraging degree of success in the Bible work in this and Washington territory during the year

The meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening March 23 at 7 30 o'clock, for the purpose of listening to the anniversary address to be delivered by Hon J N Dolph

THE SPRING STYLE in hats will be introduced by Friday March 6 at C H Meusdorffer's Samples can be seen at his stores 162 First st and 141 Front st

Those who are buying goods are requested to notice the new ad of Cusick & Pfluger's

REMOVED —Dr A Pohl, homeopath Room 22 Union block First street, between Stark and Oak, Portland Oregon

If you want a hack carriage or horse just telephone Corbett's stable corner of Second and Taylor streets and your order will be promptly filled

Ready Made Wrappers $1 50 and stylish dresses at reasonable prices at the European Dress Making establishment, 141 Third st

WANTED —200 fat men to buy outfits at the closing out sale Centennial block, Second street A lot of extra size cheap

For Fine Cigars Tobacco, Notions & go to A P Chenery 172 Front street under National Hotel

OYSTERS —Eastern oysters by every steamer at Keith's corner First and Oak streets

Split kindling, beam for sale cheap at the J B Kapp Planing Mill First street

Peter Wiehler regards supreme at the Glenn in Astoria Call and see him

Pure Milk and Sweet Cream at R. R Milk Depot 119 First street

THE "HUMORIST,"

(That is Cus Miller), on deck again Fourth and Washington sts

J IAN BERDEN,

Dealer in gold silver and plated ware Direct importation of diamonds 167 First street Formerly Gilt's bank store

THE INDICTMENT AGAINST THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By the Rev G H Atkinson

TO THE EDITOR

I wish to say a word or two in public on the charges that have been arraigned in THE OREGONIAN A case of this kind should be arraigned in a manner that does not prejudice the public mind against the schools in question, but in a manner that will give the latter a fair and impartial hearing and the former a chance to defend itself by law and by evidence before the bar of public opinion

In the first place, it is the OREGONIAN'S right to call for the resignation of any teacher for their children in education beyond the common branches, but it is not right for the OREGONIAN to say that the school should be closed against the wishes of the majority of the tax payers of the district because the latter do not desire their children to receive a higher education than the common schools afford The reply to this charge may be made by the voice of at least a majority of the tax payers of the district in favor of the schools as they are, and also by the fact that the children of the tax payers in the district are in the schools in large well appointed and well conducted rooms, instead of being taught as they were in the log cabin of the early days of the state

The public school system of the state of Oregon can be arraigned as an unfair person or as a principle or as an experiment on the latter would involve the personal teacher and the fact of such a school in distinction from a church school or a corporate school

The public school system of the state of Oregon can be arraigned as an unfair person or as a principle or as a practice including both person and principle

The public school system of any city or state or of the whole United States can be arraigned as an unfair person or principle or practice in contrast with the sectarian or close corporation school It is competent for any citizen of village, city or state to be the complainant in the case—for the school directors or teachers or a committee of citizens ladies and gentlemen to make answer It would be more in order and more effective for a corporate district town or city or state in its official capacity to appoint a committee with power to visit its school or schools and send for persons and papers and give time to investigate the whole subject It would be wise to do this instead of exciting the public with fear of evil which they have no sure knowledge of the use of harm to the public schools or the fear of helping on the schemes and plots for their overthrow A free people can be led on a wrong course or on a right course of reform Every institution and every principle which they adopt can be assailed Americans know this and expect criticism They have passed through its fiery ordeal often during their one and a half centuries of colonial and more through a century of its third life, and have come out brighter and stronger and wiser for the trial

THE INDICTMENT

We may suppose that the OREGONIAN appears as plaintiff versus the public schools of Portland and specially against the high school as an abnormal and not an integral part of the system In its issue of February 21st appear five counts in the indictment

1st That the machinery of the schools has grown to be too cumbrous and expensive system The analysis of this count reveals three elements viz comparison, burden and cost The comparison contrasts with some other burdens now upon the city or upon the people formerly The "cumbrous burden of machinery" is a kind hard to use not so much on account of its weight, or size but of its complex ideal and involved mechanism The expensiveness refers to the whole sum paid per year now for our city schools or to the increase of school tax on every dollar of assessable property in the city, over the rate formerly, or over what a wiser policy would impose

The answer to this part of the indictment cannot be made up of mere guesses, or opinions, but it must be found in facts and figures, which require search

2d That there are too many studies The court compares the present list of public school studies with the list twenty, or thirty, or forty years ago It suggests that the present greater variety distracts, weakens the minds of pupils, or that their quality exceeds the capacity of children

A just reply to this charge requires a review of text books, old and new, as to number, variety and quality which cannot be made by looking over publisher's lists or fliming, wordy advertisements

Much less can we know the truth by exparte opinions and statements This charge is as grave as it is fairly made It involves the mental and physical health of the children and youth If one, the evil is greater than the loss of the schools would be No evil equals the loss of physical and mental soundness A course of studies, pursued in any schools *public* or *private* which transgresses sanitary laws is a nuisance to be abated No old worn courses have been used, and their fruit has been youthful invalids and premature deaths No doubt the distraction of rapid changes from book to book and study to study over the many open fields of knowledge, tends to a light and surface idea of every subject instead of deep and solid convictions of anything It is the law of the mind to attend and learn one thing at a time, and if of interest to learn it well The attempt to crowd slow natures and cram quick ones is an abuse, as crowding and cramming food is an abuse Digestion is as needful to mind as to body, and for the unused child mind more than to the adult

Wise words come from THE OREGONIAN about the youth who spend six months in school per year and six months in work on farm or in shop or house Brawn and brain must have balance and place together The much training tasks become contortions which ripen into character and work out in habits

To examine this charge against our public schools, demands the best thought of educated and thoughtful citizens—time to find and test all attainable facts in the case

3d The third count of our plaintiff's indictment is "that the high school is not a proper part of the system of public education" In the solution of this element of the problem of public schools we must first define a high school how it differs from a grammar or primary school, and how it has grown to be what it is, if it be a growth at all normal to the free school system, or if it be a parasite or fungus, how it came to be fastened upon the free school system at any point of time or place? The postulate will then be, whether the American system of free schools tends to, or demands the process of grades from lower to higher places, whether this factor enters into every school private, corporate and public alike and whether it enters more widely into the former than the latter or the opposite?

To those who study the question in the school room, in the formation of classes in the routine of daily recitations and credit marks on the record book or in the teacher's memory, or who trace it in the history of education, there may appear signs, which will help to solve the problem

4th It is charged "That foreign languages higher mathematics and the several branches of natural science so called should not be taught in the public schools

It has seemed a little strange that these studies have found their way into the public schools Possibly the large national grants of land for free schools, agricultural colleges, and state universities have suggested some preparation in the high schools to fit all pupils who choose to pursue their studies in these state colleges

Possibly the German idea and practice of public education has infected the Americans In *Harper's Weekly* March 8 1879, Eugene Lawrence writes that Germany is the country most prolific in the fruits of solid scholarship in classics, sciences, history research, and nearly all of its eminent men of letters are the fruit of a careful training in its public schools. They begin on the benches of the village school house always in latin times kept by a salaried teacher and all the way through to the close of the gymnasium are trained in the national universities become at last professors or private teachers students at law These side lights open its finest institutions to the energetic scholar and the university of Berlin has made Prussia the mental centre of the German race Through this course of training, passed Niebuhr Frederick Louis Mommsen Stiglitz and an infinite host of active scholars and authors whose works fill the catalogues of the Imperial Berlin and French the material for the often high priced libraries of France and England It is but fair to the schools of Germany to say that a long list of distinguished scholarship that has long been the envy of less liberal nations

It may be that Horace Mann and his co laborers imbued with the German idea and desirous to ingraft it upon the American public educational system were guilty of transplanting a tree not native to our soil, but whether this was the case or not it is for the people of this generation to reply the charge by doing as well or better all the duties in the case

It is barely possible that not more than twenty out of the eighteen pupils study any language except the English It may be found that teachers bear some of these students of French German Latin or Greek after school hours Such was the fact when Prof John son was principal of the high school Possibly these pupils in the higher studies are from the poorest families in the city who seize the opportunity to get an education free which they could not pay for and that they appeal to school directors and teachers to help them in their efforts

[illegible] the charges that I have made in the [illegible] I am willing to meet the gentlemen who [illegible] in a public hall and discuss the matter [illegible] I am a Democrat in politics and [illegible] the people of Multnomah county [illegible] request you to become a candidate for school director [illegible] district at the ensuing election, has been duly received and carefully considered. Duly upon the theory that [illegible] should share in the burdens and responsibilities or positions of this nature have I been [illegible] to obtain the consent of my mind to accept the nomination. But looking at the [illegible] in this light I hereby consent to the use of my name and if elected will endeavor to perform faithfully such duties as may devolve upon me R J KINSTRICT

NOMINATION OF SCHOOL DIRECTOR

[illegible] Mr R J Kinstrict is a Democrat and a Multnomah county Democrat, and has consented to be run as a candidate for school director [illegible] district at the annual election to be held Monday the [illegible] day of March [illegible] Should you consent we pledge ourselves to support and [illegible] you and we believe [illegible] the sentiment [illegible] a large portion of the citizens of the district

[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	R Beurbuch
[illegible]	[illegible] Myer
[illegible]	H McKittrick
[illegible]	[illegible] Magoon
[illegible]	[illegible] Wilcox
[illegible]	[illegible] Wilcox
[illegible]	C H Lewis
[illegible]	K Quackenbush
[illegible]	C P Plummer
[illegible]	[illegible] Abel
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[illegible]	Wm Chandler
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[illegible]	A E Birdsall
[illegible]	Layton & Hall
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[illegible]	W S Hoffman
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[illegible]	D Wilson
[illegible]	Ira F Watts
[illegible]	A Thurlow
[illegible]	Jas L Day
[illegible]	Daniel Lang
[illegible]	A Ferrera
[illegible]	J M Breyfogle
[illegible]	B C Bellamy
[illegible]	Arthur Fabis
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Messrs Ladd Lewis McCracken and other Gentlemen Your communication of this date requesting me to become a candidate for school director of this district at the ensuing election, has been duly received and carefully considered Only upon the theory that all men should share in the burdens and responsibilities or positions of this nature have I been able to obtain the consent of my mind to accept the nomination. But looking at the matter in this light I hereby consent to the use of my name and if elected will endeavor to perform faithfully such duties as may devolve upon me R J KINSTRICT

OUTGOING PASSENGERS

BY STEAMER STATE OF CALIFORNIA SAILING FROM PORTLAND FOR SAN FRANCISCO, FEB. 25TH, AT 5 A M

Charles Schultze	C A Dodge and wife
E F James	Mr Corey and wife
S S Chapman	L Berade
M Barnett	M Bowen
N T Whiting	Mrs L B Evans & son
G P Reed	J E McLean
Mrs L Folger	E B McFarland
L G Kline	V B DeLashmutt & wife
Mrs Annie Brigham	W Rutherford
Samuel Douglap	Mrs L Richmond & infant
Miss Fink	J Peterson
G T Marsh	C J Moore
S B Paige	Moses Weigerass
S Rosenfield	A J Houston
E Wingate	S C Parker
R H Pease, Jr	George Woodward
C H Meusdorffer	George Keith
Harry Lynch	M C Wheelin, wife and daughter
Capt T McGregor	J S Holman
W H Reynolds	A Beschetmeier & wife
Miss M Beschetmeier	J H Reed
R Hill and wife	

And 59 in the steerage

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H E Glory Aurora
D M Wolfe, do
L G Cline Corvallis
G Howell, S F
J L Sperry Pendleton
Capt T McGregor U S A
Capt J Q Adams U S A
Miss Kate Smith Corvallis
Mrs Keegan, do
W H Clark, Canyon City
J B Cann Pilot Rock
D Ritter & w, Salmer
Mrs J Cooper, Astoria
C Kurz, S F

ST CHARLES.

Benj Southwell Dallas
E Southwell, do
S B Eckhart, Forest Grove
Eugene E Straha, Albany
Mrs Rockwell Corvallis
Mrs J Evans, do
Mrs L Speak W Walla
Mrs Luce & child, do
Jas Murray, A Baby
Rev P C Hetzler Salem
Mrs J Cher ers Dallas
Mrs Richmond, Albany
J Burnett Benton
J Taylor Independence
Dr G H Davis Lorane
T C Van Epps Olympia

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Abraham Meyers and wife to sam Feb 19, 1880, same property as above $2000

H F Cardwell and wife to Edward Rogers Feb 20 1880, 11 acres, lot 10 in sec 18 T 1 S, R 1 E—$385

Patrick Grimes to William Emery Feb 21, 1880 N ½ of SW ¼ sec 26 1 N, R 4 E—$ 50

J C Hawthorne and W T Allen to Frances E Spore Feb 3, 1880, lots 5 6 7 and 8 Stephens add $410

Mary H. Couch to J. H. Noyer Oct 16 1879 W ½ lots 15 16 17 and 18, double lot 257 Couch's add —$250

Same to John Noyer Oct 16 18 9, E ½ lots 15 16 17 and 18 same block Couch's add —$250

Hermann Kelly and wife to Van B. Irwin and Harrison B Dalman, Dec 13 1879 5 acres in Kelly's claim sec 5, T 1 S, R 2 E—$50

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Signal service U S Hot States army, Division of telegrams and reports for the benefit of commerce and agriculture. Report for the last 24 hours

PORTLAND, Feb 27 7:57 P M

Place of Observation	Height of land & Barom Reduc	Ther	Direc tion	Wind Velo city	Rain fall in inches	State of weath.
Portland	30 41	36	SW	10	14	Rain
Olympia	30 38	30	NW	10	07	Fair
Roseburg	30 34	36	NW	10	01	Clear
Red Bluff	30 07	42	N	10	00	Clear
Sacramento	29 98	42	NW	10	00	Clear

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FRIDAY EVENING Feb 27

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27—Silver 96¾ buying par selling.

Sterling exchange on London bankers 60 days 4 84 @4 85 sight 4 85 @4 85 15 16

Sterling exchange on London for commercial 4 83 @4 83 30 16.

Transfers nominal no sellers

Bank of England rate of interest 4

New York Feb 27—Silver bullion 1000 fine per ounce Closed weak at 1 12.

Sterling exchange prime bankers long 4 84 @ short 4 86¾ good commercial for long 4 84 @ short 4 86 documentary 2 days 4 84 @ 4 84½ short 4 86 @ 4 86 sight 4 87 @ 4 88.

U S Bonds—as of 31 4's 1 08 8's 1 01½

Closed as 31¾ 4's 1 08¾ 8's 1 01½

London Feb 27—Consols 99 3 16 money 99 3 16 account 4 80 P M 99 15 16.

U S Bonds—5's 101¾ 4's 129¾ 6's 104.

Closed 5's 101¾ 4's 129¾ 6's 104.

New York Feb 27—Money 4@6 gold strong and stable higher.

Liverpool Feb 27—Consols 99 15-16 9 3-4 money 99 15-16 9 3-4 account Erie 45¾

There has been evident improvement in the financial market, and still more activity is expected as the season progresses. The supply of available funds is ample to meet the current demand and borrowers are readily met on the usual terms

The following special report of the real estate market is furnished THE OREGONIAN by Clark & Upton, real estate brokers and architects

The number of real estate transactions recorded during the past week is 29 and the aggregate amount $19 922 as against 25 and $40,820 the preceding week Of the sales recorded 19 were city & East Portland, 1 country and 1 cemetery lot in three instances nominal consideration on y is named The feeling of confidence in real estate circles remains unabated. There are numerous investors on the watch for cheap business properties and desirable residence sites. Every part of the city and suburbs seems better prices are demanded and paid than at any time for several years past. In no part is the appreciation of values more marked than in the high lands lying in the south western portion of Couch s addition where many lots which six months ago would not have realized more than from $500 to $600 have changed hands at from $800 to $ 900 per lot. In that neighborhood several residences are in course of erection and many more are projected and will be built during the coming summer The speculation in lots on the northern water front of the city continues. East Portland shares in the general improvement. The demand for desirable locations both there and in Albina is increasing and better prices are obtainable than for several years past. Viewed as a whole, the condition of the real estate market is exceedingly satisfactory

The Freight Market.

As will be seen by our dispatches below there is some accumulation of tonnage in the San Francisco market, which has had a depressing effect upon the market there. This will sustain the price of wheat.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN]

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27—Wheat—No. 1 $1 50 No. 2 $1 46@1 47½.

Outlook—Oregon shipments just at hand are held at $1 52 1/2 in lobbying lots. Union City to-day sold at $1 52½ ; other kinds are quotable at $1 50@1 52½ per cental Oregon quite just at hand by steamer were not first-class and sold at from 90c@$1 20 per box

Dried Fruit A large shipment arrived yesterday from Oregon, which goes forward to New York via the isthmus, we quote sun dried apples, 7@10c for sliced; 6@6½c for quartered.

Butter—It looks as if the market had reached the top at 26@27½c for good to choice, though a fancy brand will bring a small advance but receipts are not in excess of the demand, as is evidenced by a general clearing up of various depots at the close of business, inferior to ordinary grades sell at 22½@24c.

Eggs—We hear of no sales to-day over 30c, and several dealers report transactions at 28@29c

Poultry—In better demand, at improved rates Roosters, 6@7 50, hens, 6@7 50.

San Francisco Freight Market.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN]

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27—Although the charter list a total of 104 during the week and the freight market has been rather depressed, there has been no active business in shipping circles. The total amount of registered tonnage of 8729 tons, have been dispatched with wheat and 7693 tons have been chartered, leaving the amount of tonnage holding about the same as at the close of last week, (as before).

Arrivals during the week exclusive of coasters and vessels put in for repairs, number 27 vessels of 18,838 tons, or total in port disengaged of 19 035 tons, against 16,467 tons at this time last week This in face of vessels had a depressing effect upon the market, and the last charter drawn was at a decline from rates recently current. Vessels are said coming freely, and holders of destination will not appear anxious to force the market. Only one iron vessel was chartered during the week, and this was on private terms. Quotations for that class are nominal The last charter made public was at 42 6s 6d to Cork, U K, which is more than could now be obtained, although 45s 6d can and runs firm in their views. The latest charter reported is the Swedish ship Carl Hendric 1295 tons, lumber, from Barrard Inlet to Valparaiso, private terms.

Liverpool Grain Market.

[SPECIAL TO OREGONIAN]

LIVERPOOL, Feb 27.

A leading trade circular says that the wheat trade, though less buoyant has been generally steady. At provincial markets during the past few days there has been a fair demand for wheat, and prices to-day generally prices to send in favor of buyers. At Liverpool and neighboring markets since Tuesday there has been moderate business done in wheat at about Tuesday's prices.

There is very scarce but without quotable change to-day's rates. Buyers and sellers of corn are withdrawn to adjustment to follow recent purchases.

Commission is what are moderate and sellers were willing to accept a reduction of 1d from Tuesday's rates, but there was no general pressure to sell.

Flour was free of sale, but prices are on change.

Meal was offering, which meets with slow inquiry at a half penny decline

Foreign Fruit Market.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN]

NEW YORK, Feb 27.—The market for foreign fruits shows an improvement, especially for raisins, the supply of which are unwilling to accept current prices. Valentias, held at 7½@8, London layers, at 2 50

Prunes—Quiet, but firmer.

Figs—Steady, but quiet.

Liverpool Wheat Market.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN]

LIVERPOOL, Feb 27.—Wheat—10s 5d@10s 6d per cental for average California white, 10s 2d@10s 5d for California club 10s 5d@10s 7d for red western spring and 10s@10s 2d for red winter

Receipts of wheat for the past three days were 30,000 centals, including 270 000 American

Philadelphia Wool Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb 27—Wool is quiet but very firm, with advancing tendency owing to scarcity.

Chicago Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, Feb 27.—Wheat—Firm, shade higher at 1 20¾ cash, $1 20¾ March, $1 24½ April.

Produce Receipts.

Produce receipts at Portland for the 24 hours ending at noon to day

Wheat, 1864 sks flour, bf sks 1864 qr sks 204 hides, 67 sk 2; pelts, 6 bales; skins, 1 bdg oats, 200 sks; butter, firkins 2, hxs 2; eggs 42 bxs, 6dz, 4 bbls; oatmeal, sks 6, bales 52; chicken 10 coops; dr hogs, 2; tallow, cans 17, sks 2; lard, 2 cans; dr peas, 3 sks; dr fruit 2 sks, beef, 7 pcs, vinegar, 10 bbls; rawhides, 1 bx; dr apples, 270 bxs; gr apples, 200 bxs; bacon sks 5, cases 1 hams, 2 cases; butter, 8 rolls; cheese, 1 cs; oysters, 2 sks; sturgeon, 2; canned, 2 bxs; sheep, hd 28, cars 1, chop, 225 sks 4 wheat, 2122 sks, potatoes, 20 sks.

Gold and Stock Company's Reports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27

Wheat—Dull and easier.

Barley—Quiet and steady

Corn—Light demand

Flour—Steady

Chicken Butter—Market is strong and reaching higher.

Eggs—Unchanged.

Hides—Dry and salted kip firm at 17@17½c.

Tallow—Good quality steady at 3½@3¾c.

Oregon Apples—Sales at $1 15@1 50, latter for best; market is strong and tending higher

Oregon Onions—Sales at $2.

Wheat—Receipts are large to-day Buyers rule lower, $1 50 for shipping choice to extra choice Holders are very firm for previous prices

Oats—Choice feed very scarce and wanted

Receipts—2080 qr sacks flour 20 000 sks wheat, 12 000 sks oats, 8000 sks potatoes, 1s 500 doz eggs

Charter—Swede ship Carl Hendric is loading lumber from Barrard Inlet to Valparaiso, terms private.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Feb 27

Wheat—California average, 10s 8d@10s 4d. club, 11s 2d@11s 3d.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO Feb 27

Wheat—$1 25¾ for March.

Pork—$11 80 for April.

Lard—$7 25 for April.

Short Ribs—$6 60.

NEW YORK MARKETS

New York Feb 27

Coffee—Dull and 1/6 off

Provisions—Dull and lower

Refined Sugars—Active and firm

Tea—Dull.

Rice—Active and firmer

Spirits of Turpentine—Quiet and firmer

Petroleum—Quiet.

Hops—Quiet and firmer.

Dry Goods—Active in all kinds.

Petroleum—Quiet and steady United pipe 95c crude, 8½@8¾c, refined 7¾

Miscellaneous

LONDON Feb 27

Floating cargoes inactive cargoes on passage slow, Mark Lane quiet good cargoes Cal wheat off coast per quarter of 500 lbs. 54s 6d same for prompt shipment, 52s 6d, nearly due 53s fair average, No 2 Chicago spring 51s@51s 6d English country markets firm. Liverpool quotations No 1 standard white No 1 red winter No 2 white Michigan No 1 red Atlantic cargoes No 2 red No 1 white 5 4

Exports to Puget Sound

Per O & O steamer Alki for Tacoma Mill Point Townsend Whidbey Island Victoria Nanaimo Fort Simpson Fort Wrangel Portland—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Idaho—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Fanita—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Eliza Anderson—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Wilson G Hunt—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Gussie Telfair—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Dispatch—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Wm Taylor—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Fanny Lake—1 pkg mdse 1 do syrup 1 bx mdse

Per steamer Mary Woodruff